



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: David P. Workman, et al. Attorney Docket No.: 7730  
Application No.: 10/610,687 Group Art Unit: 1712  
Filed: July 1, 2003 Examiner: Daniel S. Metzmaier  
Title: METHOD OF PREPARING AGGLOMERATED SILICA

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**Mail Stop: FEE AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is in reply to the Official Action mailed June 13, 2005 in the captioned matter. The initial three-month term for response expired September 13, 2005. The three-month extended date for response is the mailing date of this paper, Tuesday, December 13, 2005.

Attached herewith in duplicate is a three-month extension of term for response accompanied by a check in the amount of \$1,020.00 covering the cost of the extension. In the event any further fees are deemed necessary to be paid, the Commissioner is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 19-1351.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.